Fiscal Estimate - 2011 Session

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LRB Number 11-2135/1	Introduction Number SB-129)		
Description Authorizing towns to challenge certain city or village annexation procedures				
Fiscal Effect				
Appropriations Reve	ease Existing enues rease Existing enues To absorb within agence enues Decrease Costs			
Local: No Local Government Costs Indeterminate 1. Increase Costs Permissive Mandatory 2. Decrease Costs Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Districts School Districts				
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS				
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a village or city can directly annex territory from a town if certain conditions are met. If a petition for annexation signed by all of the electors residing in the territory and all of the owners of real property in the territory is filed with the clerk of the village or city to which the territory is proposed to be annexed and filed with the clerk of the town from which the territory is proposed to be removed (along with a scale map and legal description of the territory), the territory may be annexed to the village or city upon approval of an annexation ordinance by a two-thirds vote of the village or city board. The territory so annexed must be contiguous to the village or city. The town from which the territory was removed may not contest the validity of this direct annexation.

Under the bill, a town would be permitted to contest the validity of a direct annexation.

To the extent that towns choose to use their expanded power to challenge annexations, legal costs for towns, villages, and cities would increase. The Department of Revenue (DOR) has no role in reviewing or approving annexations. The DOR therefore does not have information on the number of direct annexations that could be affected by the bill, and therefore is unable to reasonably estimate the increase in local costs that this bill could engender.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications